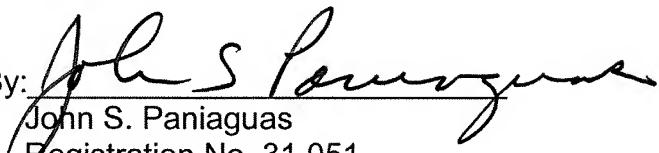


**REMARKS**

It is respectfully requested that the instant Preliminary Amendment be entered prior to examination.

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